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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

Our phone is basically for emergency purposes as we live in a remote area where phone service is not available in all areas. This is our only means to be in contact with people in case of an emergency. We travel back roads to get to our main roads and this phone can save our lives or the life on someone else. Do we need to put such a price on saving lives? Do not tax us more...we have enough taxes already that cost us enough now!

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Ben and Jan Puline
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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members